More History

(This readable article was writ ten by Mrs. Reed Davis and read at a recent meeting of the Marlinton Woman's Club.)

FIRST HOMES

My information is taken from Rev. Wm. T. Price's History of Pocahontas County, published in 1901 by the Price brothers.

Jacob Marlin and Stephen Sewell built the first cabin and lived here in 1750-51. Following a dispute, Sewell moved into a hollow tree located where the James Bear house now stands,

The second home was built a bout 1800 by Col. Wm. T. Poage, who owned all of Marlin's Bottom plantation. His wife was Col. Jacob Warwick's widow. Warwick obtained the land by a grant from England prior to 1776. This house was located on Hamilton Field near where the Al Jack home stands. Rev. Wm. T. Price was born there in his grand-father's home in 1830.

Col. Poage built a new home and moved to the present site of the Cal Price and Clyde Moore

The fourth house was the Price homestead built on the west side of the river next to my present home. It was the home of Atley Price, James A. Price and Woodsey Price. The original chimney and kitchen were restored and built in a modern residence owned by Mrs. Anna V. Hunter-now occupied by the Bob Fitzgerald

The fifth home is the one generally known as the first home in Marlinton. The building best known as the old McLaughlin Hotel was the Andrew McLaughlin East Portion has the original logs. curved stair case and stone chimney in use in the building now owned by Arden Killingsworth.

The next home was built in 1849 by Harper McLaughlin, It is well known as the Brown Yeager home and stands as a modern residence across the street from the Hench and Clarence Moore

In 1850 the Toll House was built by Mrs. Margaret Pongue Price for the Toll Bridge keeper.

The Sam Price home was built in 1880 where the freight depot is now located.

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Science has demonstrated that alcohol is a poison to the human system. It weakens a man's brawn, impoverishes his blood and it jures his brain; the evil effects are preportionate to the extent of its use. It lessens the power of the toiling man to do his labor. It causes inertia and fatigue. It makes the burdens of the miner heavier to be borne and makes it barder for the ma-son to lift the stone, for the carpenter to wield his hammer, the engineer to hold the throttle. It diminishes the logic of the lawyer, dims the genius of the writer, makes unsteady the knife of the surgeon, weakens the grasp of the business man over his affairs, quenches the ambitions, and cools the courage and clouds the mind of the statesman.

Man is the noblest work of God. When we contemplate the human body we are struck with awe and filled with wonder. Beautiful in form, perfect in usefulness, splendid in strength. To stand, to walk, to run, to strike, to lift, to climb, to taste, to breathe, to see, all this is man's; but nobler still it is his to laugh, to cry, to love, to feel, to hope, to dream, to will, to think, to know, to have a brain. This delicate, intricate, and unfathomable mechanism guides our hands, our hearts, and makes us little lower than the angels. The brain is the thing at which alcohol strikes its deadliest blow. I do not say that every man who drinks is disbenorable, that every man who drinks is a criminal, but I do say the effect of alcohol apon the With mind and heart is evil. jangled nerves and brain deranged and reason gone as the result home until 1890. His wife was of its use, man goes reeling forth Mary Poague Price. The North to cheat, to lie, to lust, to dissiof its use, man goes reeling forth pate, to quarrel, to hate, to burn, to kill. This brings to the individual, weakness, disease, sorrow, remorse and death.

To obtain this poison, when they are once within its power men will spend money, hard earned, that should be used to buy shoes and hats and coats and food for wives and children, money that should be used to buy homes and fuel and comforts and music and luxury for those whom, when men are at themselves, they love dearer than their lives.

FIELD NOTES

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In 1890, the Rev. Wm. T. Price was built by himself and sous for a Manse. It stands as Dr. Norman Price's home.

John Moss built a home where the Bank of Marlinton stands. He operated a barber shop there. When Marlinton became the

County seat in 1892 many families moved here from Huntersville

Some of the first homes to be built about this time were:

The Lock McCiintic residence, now occupied by his widow and daughter.

Uriah Bird: Miss Pearl Carter's reconstructed home.

S. L. Brown (home located on the corner near John Sydenstrick-

Capt A. E. Smith home, owned by Eugene Dactwyler.

Scott Rucker home, owned by Mrs. Eskridge

Clawson McNeill home across the corner from Lock McClintic residence, owned by G. D. Wood

The Boyd Bartlett home near the Clark Hotel.

The King home, occupied by the Richard Currence family.

When the brick Court House was built the bricks were burned on Hamilton Field. The remain ing bricks went into Marlinton's first brick home. It was built by Capt. Smith and is now owned by Genevieve, and Arnout Yeager and is occupied by Mrs. Grace Yeager and her son, Arnout.

CASS P. T. A.

The Cass P. T. A. met in the school auditorium on Wednesday night, October 12. The following committees were appinted for the new school year:

Membership, - Miss Gibson. Miss Brown, Paul Doyle, Carl Davis.

Program- Mr Arbogast, Mr. Tracy, Mrs Weber, Miss Robert son.

Publicity-Mr Tracy, Mrs. Of. fet, Chester Shrader.

Carl Davis, Marvin Moss, Clarence Ware, Audra Mcl'herson, Harry Thomas,

Health-Mrs Leonard Meador. Mrs Chester Shrader, Mrs Kermit Aringust, Ed Moore.

The third grade had the most parents present cleven. Parents were loxited to look over the

FIELD NOTES

Jesse McNeill went squirrel bunting last Saturday along with LEWISBURG, almost every one else in this wooded country. Over in Buckley Mountain, on Improvement Lick, not far from the Jake Low Place, near the Bear's Head, he saw two red foxes stalking gray squirrels. It required just two shots to lay those foxes out. In a few minutes here came another red fox, also bunting squirrels, He came within gun range, and then it was all over with this fox too, except the skinning.

John Cochran was home from Buffalo, N- Y. for few days bunt ing, Harry Lynn Sheets jumped a fine big red fox and it ran by Mr. Cochran. He has a really fine fox pelt to be made into a rug.

A subscriber over in the State of Missouri, sends in the figures of investigation of the food habits of the red fox. The contents of scores of stomachs had been examined and contents noted. The list runs from grass and grass hoppers in summer to persimmons and rabbits in fall and winter.

Last year, Game Protector, Harrison Shobe, killed over fifty red foxes in the chicken country of the South Branch Valley. He found their main food supply was dead chickens on the dump piles.

These interesting figures and statistics merely prove to me that foxes live off the country like other predators. Red tailed hawks do not kill chickens in the great American desert. If you feel the need of proof that foxes are grouse killers, just start the train ing of that young hound the first tracking snow this winter, by cold trailing the first track you come to. If there are grouse and rabbits, there will be sign the fox got his.

An item of interest to me in a scientific magazine was the statement that the red fox is now so numerous in parts of England as to become such a pest that actually the farmers are shooting them. Do you ken John Peel at the break of the day, with his bounds Social-Messlames Wallace Dill and his horn and the fex fair away" as the words of the old bunting song have it. Don't you ken the unease of the late John Peel when a fox of old England bites the dust at the crack of a fowling piece! I guess there is and always will be an England, but it certainly is a far cry from the time a peasant could be and was hung for shooting the fox

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